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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (PARA 2)

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MOPS, PLO, LE, PINT  
SUBJ: DEPLOYMENT OF THE ARMY SOUTH: A LEFTIST VIEW

1. ALBERT MANSOUR, MEMBER OF THE COMMAND COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT, TOLD EMBOFF THE FOLLOWING ON JUNE 13.
2. THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT CONTINUED TO OPPOSE THE DEPLOYMENT OF THE LEBANESE ARMY SOUTH. BEFORE SENDING ANY UNITS SOUTH, THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD EXPEL SA'AD HADDAD AND OTHER EXTREMIST OFFICERS FROM THE ARMY. THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT HAD NOT REPEAT NOT ORDERED ITS FORCES IN SOUTH LEBANON TO OPPOSE BY FORCE THE ENTRY OF THE ARMY THERE. NEVERTHELESS, IF THE ARMY WENT SOUTH NOW, ARMED CLASHES WITH NATIONAL MOVEMENT MILITIA WERE LIKELY. THE PALESTINIANS, ON THE OTHER HAND, WOULD PROBABLY AVOID  
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CONFLICT WITH THE LEBANESE ARMY, FOR THE TIME BEING AT LEAST.

3. PRIME MINISTER AL HOSS WAS SINCERELY DEDICATED TO RESTRUC-  
TURING THE ARMY ON AN EQUITABLE BASIS AND TO EXPELLING EXTRE-  
MIST OFFICERS FROM IT. HOSS WAS HOWEVER "HAVING PROBLEMS"  
WITH SARKIS AND BOUTROS, AND IT WAS EVIDENT THAT THERE WAS A  
GROWING SPLIT BETWEEN THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE OTHER TWO MEN.

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